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Tired of Feeling Stuck in the House This Winter?
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Snow continues to fall and many of us remain stuck inside during these cold days. Looking for something to do? Looking for a way to help the community with minimal time? We have the solution!

The Calhoun County Public Health Department, in collaboration with Michigan State University, releases the second round of sex education surveys to Albion, Battle Creek, and Marshall residents. This survey, to be mailed in March 2008, asks a broad range of questions examining residents' knowledge and attitudes regarding sex education in Calhoun County including sex education in the family, community programs, and public schools. Study participants are randomly selected registered Calhoun County voters. A packet of materials will be mailed to participants including a consent form, questionnaire, and stamped self-addressed return envelope.

Questionnaire completion is voluntary and <u>be completed in the privacy of participants' homes</u> and will take about 20 to 30 minutes to complete. All participants must be at least age 18. The identity of all participants remains anonymous and any refusal to answer one or all questions is not penalized.

Although participation is purely voluntary, ***we urge survey recipients to take the time to complete and return the survey***. The goal of the survey is to gather trustworthy scientific data regarding the attitudes of Calhoun County residents regarding sex education.

Results from this study will be presented publicly and published in report format and be available to the public.

If people have any concerns or questions regarding this research, they may contact the principal investigator, Dr. Steven McCornack, at 517-355-3478 or mccornac@msu.edu.

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